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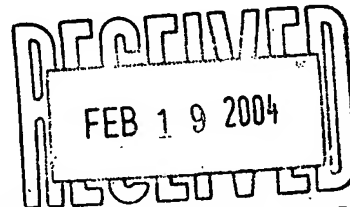
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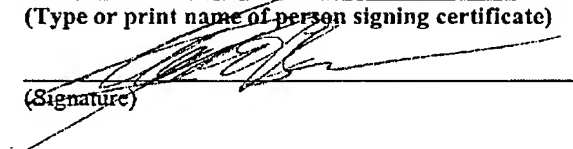
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Appl. No. : 10/051,623 Confirmation No.: 1021  
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Title : TRANSPOSED SPLIT OF ION CUT MATERIALS  
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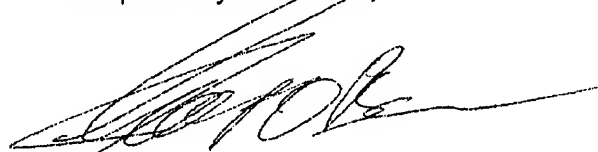
Dear Sir:

A Petition for Extension of Time was filed in this application on January 21, 2004, extending the time to respond to February 5, 2004. A Notice of Filing of U.S. and PCT Continuation-in-Part Application was filed on that same date, along with those applications.

Therefore, Applicant believes that no further extension of time is required for submitting the enclosed Amendment. However, Applicant conditionally petitions for an extension of time in the event that the Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need therefor, in which case the fees may be charged to deposit account no. 07-1137.

Date: 2/5/04

Respectfully submitted,



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